c.1845-1907

B-3419 - B-3426 425-301 E. Hamburg St. (South side) Baltimore, Md. Private access

As with the 400 block of E. Cross St., this block of E. Hamburg St. is improved by a variety of house types, ranging in date over a broad span of years. 423-425 E. Hamburg St. is an unusual structure composed of a three story, two bay wide brick house with shed roof and first and second story wooden front porches, set back from the street, joined to a small two story, two bay wide gable-roofed house of somewhat later date. Immediately to the west, at 419-421 E. Hamburg St. there is a pair of similar two story, gable-roofed houses, undoubtedly built contemporaneously with the first mentioned such house at 423 E. Hamburg St., probably in the early 1850's. Moving west, at 403-417 E. Hamburg St. there is a row of late Victorian style, two story, three bay wide brick houses with shed roofs and bracketed cornices, built in the early 1890's by Henry Wessel, owner of Wessel's Department store at Charles and Hamburg Streets. To the west of this late row, at 337 E. Hamburg St., is another unusual house set back somewhat from the street, with its end wall facing the street and its two story, gable-roofed facade with first and second floor wooden porches facing east onto a wide alleyway. 335 E. Hamburg St. is a two story, two bay wide brick house with gable roof built in the 1850's, quite similar to 419-423 E. Hamburg St. 329-333 E. Hamburg St. is a group of two story plus attic, two bay wide brick houses built in the late 1840's. At the western end of the block, at 307-321 E. Hamburg St., there is a row of two story, two bay wide brown brick houses with shed roofs and sheet metal bracketed cornices, built in 1907 by Walter Hampson, and at 301-305 E. Hamburg St. there is a group of two story, three bay wide brick houses with shed roofs and bracketed cornices, built in 1890 by James F. Morgan.

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### INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

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_SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	ENTERTAINMENT	RELIGIOUS
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### DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This group of two story, three bay brick houses with shed roofs and bracketed cornices were built as a unit in the 1890's by the same builder who constructed the neighboring rows on Riverside Ave. (1001-1021 and 1027-1049 Riverside Ave.) 305 Hamburg St. has been covered with formstone.

The houses are two stories in height, 12' wide, and occupy lots 75' deep. Each house is six bays deep. The only rear addition is a second story, one bay deep frame addition that projects out over the rear yard and was added to the house when indoor plumbing was installed. The houses are constructed in running bond. The shed roofs are capped by a continuous wood cornice consisting of a deeply projecting crown molding, decorated with a row of cut-work scallops, set above panels with scroll-sawed motifs, bordered at their lower edge by a row of quarter-round carvings and a row of cut-work scallops. Four carved brackets per house (the end brackets being shared by adjoining houses) support the entire cornice and connect it to a lower molding strip decorated with quarter-round carvings. The brick freize area thus formed is punctuated by three scroll-sawed ventilating panels per house. The lower molding strip and ventilating panels are missing at 305 Hamburg St. The houses have single rectangular chimneys located along their western sides. Each house also has a hooded rear end chimn located at the south end of the house.

The door and window openings have segmentally arched brick lintels with scroll-sawed tympanums. The sills are wood. All of the window openings are filled with 1/1 double hung sash. Each house currently has a different type of door, but all originally had Mission-style doors. The doors are set beneath deep single light transoms, the lower edge of which is bordered by a row of quarter-round carvings and a row of cut-work scallops. 303 Hamburg St. still has its Mission-style door; 301 and 305 Hamburg have panel doors with upper lights. The houses sit on fairly high basements, the entrances being reached by three steps each--wood at 301, brick at 303, and stone at 305 Hamburg St. Each house has two square basement window openings located beneath the first floor windows.

## 8 SIGNIFICANCE

SPECIFIC DAT	ES 1890-1896	BUILDER/ARCH	HITECT James F. Morg	
		_INVENTION		
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_1600-1699	XARCHITECTURE	EDUCATION	MILITARY	_SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
1500-1599	AGRICULTURE	ECONOMICS	LITERATURE	SCULPTURE
_1400-1499	_ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	CONSERVATION	_LAW	SCIENCE
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

See under 1001-1021 Riverside Ave.

These houses are essentially identical to the houses built by Morgan at 1001-1021 and 1027-1049 Riverside Ave. and 402-408 E. Cross St., though somewhat narrower in width. Instead of selling the houses to individual owner-occupants, as he generally did on Riverside Ave. and Cross St., Morgan sold all three of these houses in 1896 to a single absentee landlord, who rented out the houses to a variety of tenants. The houses did not become owner-occupied until 1919 when they were sold to individual owners by the first owner.1

 $<sup>^1\</sup>mathrm{Baltimore}$  City Land Records, Liber JB 1653, Folio 449; SCL 3416, Folio 460, 534; 534 SCL 3414, Folio 522

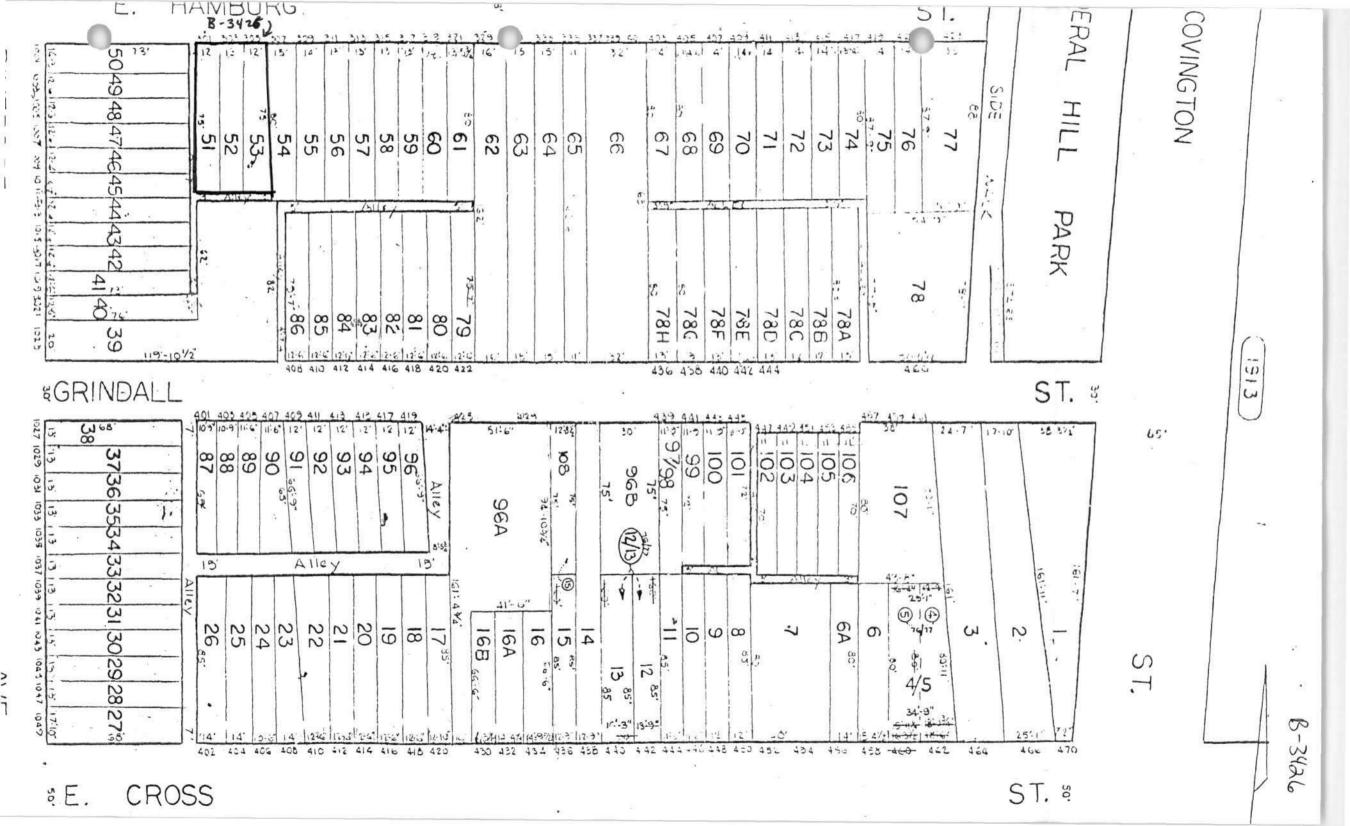
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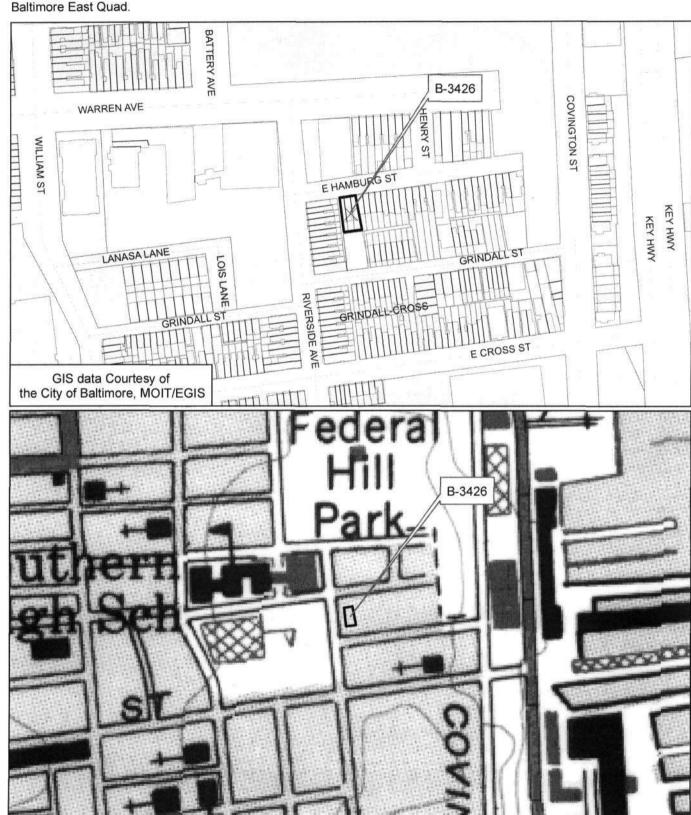
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